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The pine-nut crop is short in Nevada.

The iron industry in Washington gives great promise.

A copper-smelting furnace at San Diego is being designed.

The Oregon naval reserve has been incorporated at Portland.

Riverside is talking of a co-operative kitchen on the Bellamy plan.

Nevada, people want the Governor to call an irrigation convention at Reno.

Ozlen's street-car system has been changed from steam motor to electricity.

J. de Barth Shorb is to represent Los Angeles county in the California Board of Trade.

All the railroad washouts in New Mexico have been repaired, and trains are moving regularly.

Two hundred Tucson ladies have signed a petition asking the Constitutional convention not to discriminate against women's civil rights in the constitution.

The work of construction on the Santa Fe, Prescott and Phoenix railroad, which will connect Phoenix, A. T., and the Salt River Valley with the Santa Fe system, has begun.

The grand jury at Reno is unable to find the slightest evidence upon which to indict any one for the hanging of the Russian Orthog by vigilantes, and asks to be discharged.

Los Angeles complains that the Chino beet-sugar factory has not made sugar cheaper there, owing to the fact that only three firms handle the sugar and no one else can get it in carload lots.

Mrs. Maillard, who disappeared from her home near San Rafael, Cal., several weeks ago, was found at Fortuna, Cal., where she has been living with W. H. Ingram, a hired man formerly employed by her husband.

Bradstreet's mercantile agency reports twenty-seven failures in the Pacific Coast States and Territories for the past week, as compared with twenty-five for the previous week and ten for the corresponding week of 1890.

The Itata's officers testify that the vessel when she came to San Diego had no sailors, soldiers or arms on board. The vessel contains three times her normal complement, and four breech-loaders which she carried were put off at Arigo. The arms were taken on board at San Clemente.

The Iowa Hill hydraulic miners have asked for a removal or modification of the injunction which will permit them to clean up the bedrock. The miners are operating in gravel which is not washed into the river. The Sacramento Supervisors will take the matter under consideration of permitting the miners to work the lower gravel beds.

A bill has been filed in equity in the United States Court at Los Angeles against the Southern Pacific railroad and 218 other defendants to quiet title and forfeit to the government 850,000 acres of land in Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Ventura counties, Cal. The land is overlapping grants to the Atlantic and Pacific Company of 1880 and 1871.

Prof. Bernard of the Lick Observatory has discovered a very faint comet, which is believed to be the long expected periodical comet of Swift, but which is very far from the place predicted for the latter's reappearance. This is the fourth periodical comet the first announced of which return has come from Lick Observatory in the past thirteen months.

It is reported on what seems to be good authority that a large plant for the manufacture of tin plate will soon be located in San Francisco by a wealthy manufacturer, a resident of that city. It is expected that 1,000 hands will be at work manufacturing tin plate before the end of the year. The material will come from Australia, San Bernardino and the Black Hills.

Archbishop Gross has called a provincial council of the prelates of the Catholic Church to meet in Portland October 18. The prelates who will attend are Bishop Jenner of Washington, Bishop Groulx of Idaho, Bishop Brondel of Montana and Bishop Lemens of Vancouver Island. The object is to take action looking to the unification of Catholicity in the Northwest.

The new building of the Concordia Club, the leading Hebrew institution of San Francisco, was thrown open for inspection the other night, and was visited by fully 3,000 people, who were hospitably entertained in the luxurious quarters. The building has been erected and furnished at a cost of about \$500,000, and is beyond doubt the handsomest and most elegantly equipped house in San Francisco.

The water in Salton Lake has fallen fourteen inches in the last five days, and the amount of water supplying the lake does not equal the evaporation. The greatest depth of the lake is thirty-six inches and its area thirty miles long by ten wide. Recent visitors do not think it has changed the climate of the surrounding country, and that the humidity in that neighborhood has been increased only in a modified degree, now registering 60 degrees, while the ordinary humidity of San Francisco is 75.

The Leland Stanford (Jr.) University at Palo Alto was opened the other day with impressive ceremonies. Senator Stanford, the founder of the institution, delivered a brief address, in which he referred to his confidence in the trustees and to the general purpose of the university. Judge J. McW. Shafter followed in a speech on behalf of the Board of Trustees. President Kellogg of the University of California spoke in a pleasant way of the new rival of his own university, and President Jordan of the Stanford institution concluded the speaking with a long and polished address. The exercises were concluded with a benediction. The regular instructions begin at once. So far 440 students have been admitted to the various classes.

EDUCATIONAL.

Sweden Stands Behind No Country in Popular Education.

Of 351 towns and cities in Massachusetts 248 have free public libraries.

The average salaries of the mistresses in the London board schools is \$950.

It costs the teachers of Kansas \$200,000 a year to attend the Normal Institutes.

There are 230 Normal Schools, with an attendance of 50,000 students, in the United States.

Philadelphia turns out more medical students in a year than any other city in the country.

President Warfield of Lafayette College, Pa., is taking vigorous measures to stamp out hazing.

Pittsburg is trying industrial courses in the public schools, and their success is reported to be marked.

Albert G. Lane has been chosen Superintendent of the public schools of Chicago, vice Howard resigned.

The Kansas University is a good deal set up because a Harvard graduate is sending his son to Lawrence this year.

The number of students registered this year in Sibley College of Mechanical Engineering, Cornell University, is something like 45, including a considerable number of graduates from other colleges.

Superintendent Anderson of the Milwaukee public schools is talking about getting up a procession of children of school age who are denied an education for the lack of school room in that city. They number about 2,000.

It is said that Miss Mary E. Holmes of Rockford, Ill., proposes to invest from \$75,000 to \$100,000 in establishing in Missouri a colored women's literary and industrial school to accommodate 150 pupils as a memorial to her mother.

According to an educational journal the number of illiterate persons in Russia, Siberia, Rumania and Bulgaria form 80 per cent of the population, in Spain 65, Italy 48, Hungary 43, Austria 32, Ireland 21, France and Belgium 15, Holland 10, United States 8, Scotland 7, Switzerland 2½ and in the greater part of Germany only 1 per cent.

Sweden stands behind no country—not even the United States—in popular education. To this may perhaps be due the superiority of the Swedish emigrant to this country over emigrants from other European countries. The number of school children per 1,000 inhabitants is 140. Technical instruction, especially of woman, is a great feature. The difficulties in the way of school attendance are very great, not only because of the severe Northern winters, but also because the people live to a large extent on isolated farms.

Prof. Michaelson has just returned to Boston from California, where he has spent a large portion of the summer. He has been working at Lick Observatory, experimenting there with his recent invention—the refractometer. This he attached to the smaller of the telescopes at the observatory, and during the summer he made numerous measurements of the bodies of the solar system, particularly of the satellites of Jupiter. The results of this work were highly satisfactory, and the mean of the measurements made varies from the maximum and minimum measurements by but 1 or 2 per cent—a variation many times less than is obtainable by other methods. The refractometer will be used by the Lick Observatory during the coming year, and in that time Prof. Michaelson hopes to perfect his invention still further. The refractometer bids fair to be an instrument of great importance in future astronomical work.

THE NATIONAL CAPITAL.

Secretary Proctor Has Approved the New Tactics for the Army.

The President has passed upon the record of the court-martial in the case of Colonel Compton of the Fourth Cavalry, who was charged with failure while in command of the military post at Walla Walla to take steps to prevent the lynching of a man named Hunt under arrest for killing one of the soldiers under his command. The court found him guilty, and sentenced him to suspension from rank and command for three years on half pay and to be confined in the limits of a military post. The President approved the proceedings of the court, but mitigated the sentence to suspension from rank and command on half pay for two years.

The Director of the Mint, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, has issued instructions to the superintendents of the assay office in New York that in cases of deposits of foreign gold or bars such an approximation of value as in the discretion of the superintendent may be regarded as safe, not exceed 90 per cent of the value, to be paid pending the melt and assay. The purpose of this regulation is to encourage, so far as can be legally done, the government importation of foreign gold into the United States by allowing the importers to sell cash for foreign gold so soon as received instead of requiring them to wait while the deposits are being melted and the exact gold determined.

By a recent decision acting Secretary Grant by inference held that the World's Columbian Exposition is a private and not a national affair. If Assistant Secretary Grant is correct, it will raise the question with some people how Congress came to decide the location of the exposition, by what authority the President named the Commissioners and why Secretary Foster has been paying out public moneys to the government Fair Commissioners, who went abroad in the interest of the exposition. Assistant Secretary Grant's decision came about in this way: There has been some complaint that the buildings erected were not safe, and the Chicago people assert that this complaint came from New York, where there never has been a friendly feeling for Chicago or the fair. In order to dispose of all these stories the Commissioners asked the Secretary of War to detail a corps of engineers to inspect the buildings. The Commissioners thought a report by such a corps would have more weight than if it were made by private engineers. In reply to the request Secretary Grant stated that Section 1224 of the Revised Statutes forbade army officers from performing work of any kind for private persons or corporations, and for this reason he was compelled to decline a compliance with the request.

EASTERN ITEMS.

The Coal Product of the United States.

GEORGIA TO TAX BACHELORS

Arrangements Complete for the Polytechnic Excursion to the World's Fair.

The Twin City (Minneapolis) Athletic Club has assigned.

It is said Canada intends to reimpose an export duty on logs.

Ohio this year produces the largest tobacco crop in her history.

A cooking school is a part of the public-school system of Milwaukee.

The validity of the convict lease system in Tennessee is to be decided by the courts.

Turkey's flag has been the first to be unfurled on the Chicago World's Fair grounds.

The waters of Lake Erie are to be piped to Cincinnati, taking in many other cities en route.

Most of the fires in Wisconsin were confined to districts burned over last spring. The rains have checked them.

A factory is to be built at Minneapolis by parties who claim to be able to temper copper so that it can be made hard as steel.

The Millionaires' Club of New York will erect a \$750,000 house. The proposed site is on the corner of Fifth avenue and Sixtieth street.

The people in Emmens county, N. D., who lost their property by prairie fires are said to be in a deplorable condition without food or shelter.

Since the passage of the American copyright law it is said that one New York song publisher has paid \$6,000 in London for manuscripts.

France, it is believed, will next month rescind the pork prohibition laws. Italy promises to rescind her prohibitory regulations after France acts.

It is stated that the government has realized \$6,000,000 from the sale of lands in that part of Kansas which is beyond the line of certain rainfall.

In the Red River valley, N. D., farm labor is very scarce, and the railroads in that section carry men free to various points where they are needed.

The large yield and high price of wheat will, it is estimated and expected, make this season's Dakota crop equal in value to those of the five preceding years.

A railroad surveying party that went up the Big Horn Canyon in Colorado nearly two months ago has not been heard from, and there are fears that the members have been lost.

Vessel agents and mariners on the Great Lakes are urging the establishment of a branch hydrographic office on the lakes to look out for the vast maritime interests centered there.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge, I. O. O. F., has voted down the proposition that members could become eligible to the degree of Patriarchs Militant without going through the encampment.

Georgia is going to tax bachelors. A bill for that purpose has been brought into the Georgia Legislature, and the House Committee on Hygiene and Sanitation has reported it favorably.

An extra session of the Pennsylvania Legislature has been called with a view to remove the Auditor-General and State Treasurer, whose connection with the financial scandals has been charged openly.

The Sovereign Grand Lodge of Odd Fellows has voted against the eighteen-year limit to eligibility to join the order. The vote was 107 to 58. The question regarding liquor sellers was postponed until next year.

In a drunken fight on a train from Mount Vernon to Carmi, Ill., William Robertson stabbed Sheriff Williams slightly, and a man named Stanley, who went to Williams' assistance, was badly cut and will die.

The conductors, switchmen and brakemen on the Southern Pacific Atlantic system have demanded an increase in wages, and a strike at an early day is possible, as the company refuses to accede to the demands.

Florida's Secretary of State, Mr. Crawford, refuses to attest the commission of ex-Congressman Davidson, appointed by ex-Governor Fleming to succeed Senator Call. Mandamus proceedings will be taken by the Governor.

A secret organization is terrorizing the people in the neighborhood of Tellville, Ark. It is composed of "moral regulators," but they are brutal in their treatment of those who come under the ban of their displeasure.

The arrest at Durango, Col., of 85 on Norlenskold for removing relics from ancient cliff dwellings is liable to assume international proportions, as the acting Secretary of the United States, Mr. Wharton, has telegraphed the Mayor of Durango to write him the facts concerning the Baron's arrest.

Arrangements are now complete for the polytechnic excursion to the World's Fair at Chicago. The party, which will include about 150 men and women, mostly mechanics, clerks and board school teachers, will go straight to New York from London, and all noted places in the vicinity will be visited.

The coal product of the United States reached a total of 141,239,513 short tons in the census year, and was valued at \$160,226,323. The product included 45,600,437 short tons of Pennsylvania and other anthracite, worth \$55,879,514, and 95,639,076 short tons of bituminous and lignite, valued at \$94,346,809.

At the Gravesend race track at New York an ingenious trick, by means of which the bookmakers got news of the races, was discovered. A "coachman" with a big hat was arrested in the field for carrying a battery, and it was found a battery was in the hat and small wires around the man's body, while in the rear of the carriage was an operator who sent messages dictated by the supposed coachman.

PERSONAL MENTION.

A Man and His Wife are Nominated for Judicial Positions in Nebraska.

Mr. Partridge, the sculptor, is making a heroic bust of James Russell Lowell.

Mrs. Mackay is the possessor of a string of flawless diamonds two yards in length.

George A. Pillsbury of Minneapolis has presented a soldier's contingent to Concord, N. H., his native town.

The report that Bismarck had recently a slight stroke of paralysis is pronounced untrue, and his health is said to be fair.

Mark Twain is thinking of descending the River Rhine in a boat with his courier and working up his adventures for his new book.